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It has been a while.
This is my third work.
I hope it will be well received.

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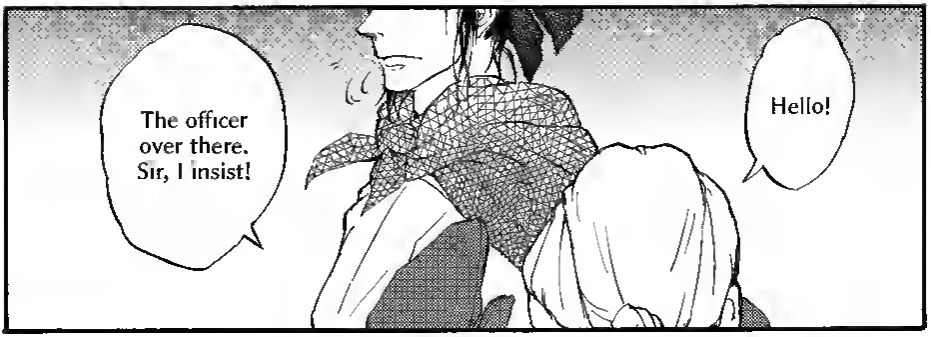
**Translation note:** The original Japanese script uses some of the original Chinese terms inside with the original spelling. As you can deduce from their names and the mythical beast, this story seems to take place in Ancient China. The author wrote either the Japanese translation or the original Chinese pronunciation as furigana. For this, I decided to translate everything and insert the original Chinese spelling in brackets next to my English translation.



*older brother

【CHAPTER 1】

In this land,

there exists a bird called Zhen.

It is a mystical bird that has developed a preference for poison as its diet.

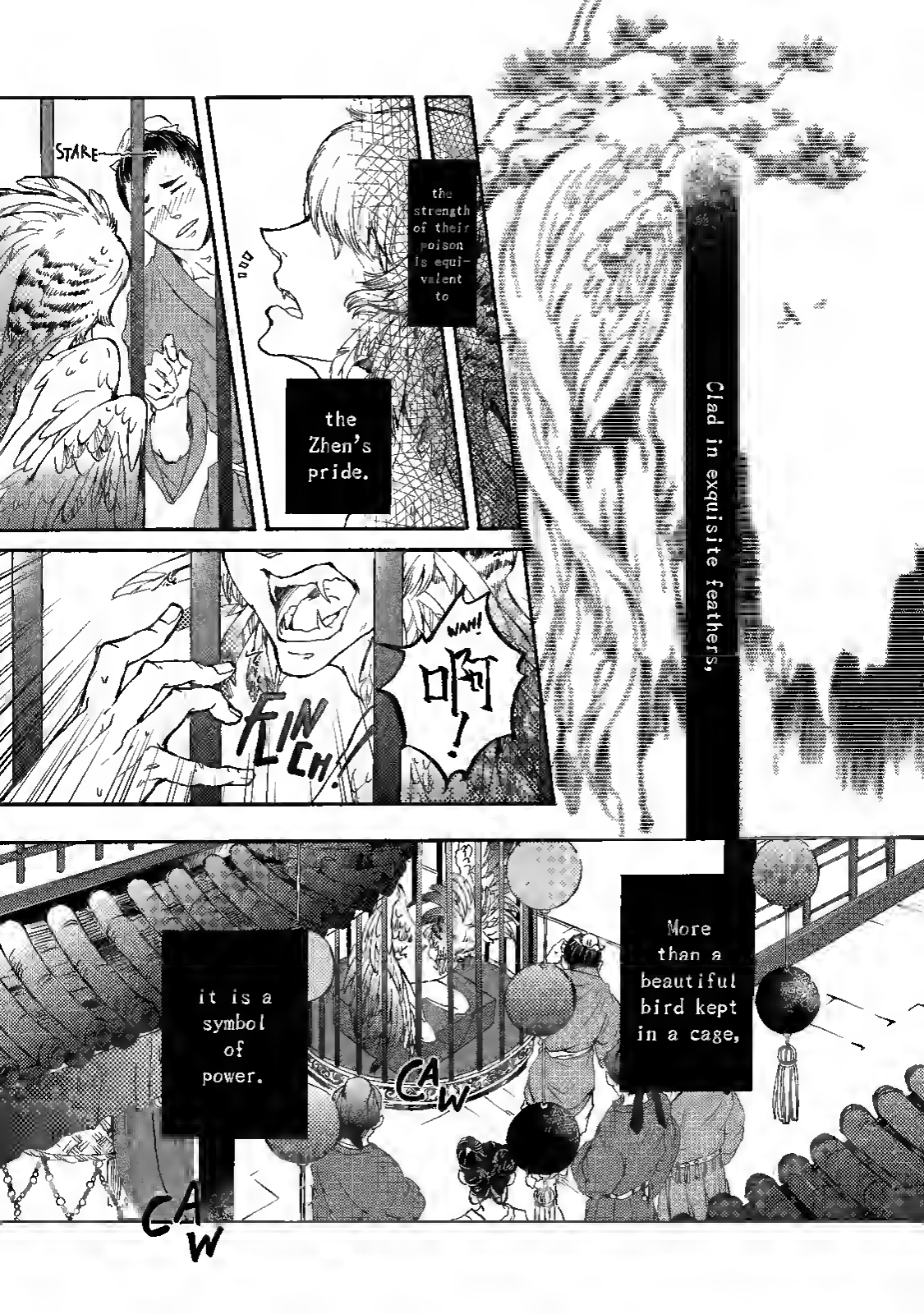
The 'poisons' they absorb turn into colours'.

CAW

CAW

Before long,

the beauty of those plumes had completely bewitched us.


Clad in exquisite feathers,
STARE
the strength of their poison is equivalent to
the Zhen's pride.
FLINCH.
WAH!
아!
More than a beautiful bird kept in a cage,
it is a symbol of power.
CAW
CAW

KLANK!
As we all know, Zhen are ferocious.
One bite from them and the deadly poison that can kill even an elephant will spread through your entire body.
CAW
SHUFFLE
Woah! (隈!) That's dangerous!
CAW
CAW
CAW
Just the other day, a skilled Zhen master (鴆飼) was killed by the very Zhen he raised!
If you don't want to die, look at it from afar!
My house is next to his.
So I saw him with his Zhen a few times.
The Zhen master that died… do they mean…
Oh, they're probably referring to Ran.

I have never seen another Zhen like that!
Those wings, as they spread out, looked just like rainbows.
But seriously… It's spectacular.
CAW
What has become of the younger brother who used to live there?
CAW
…he is that rather crude fellow…
my wife scolded him. "Don't let a dangerous thing like that outside", said she…
MUNCH MUNCH
Al-though,
!
Hm? Now that I think about it.
Those siblings made a living dealing in Zhen trading, you see…
Even so, he was a famous Zhen breeder in the old days.
And she turned out to be right.

He rose steadily in rank and is now a ranger general (遊騎将軍).
Eh? Don't you know,
the younger brother Fei has been made a military officer under the emperor.
CAW
CAW
Such a big promotion, I'm envious.
From a Zhen master to a general.
What? A general !?
Finally, Fei-sama. I'm glad you have returned ...
What's wrong?

…I sincerely apologise.
Even though you've already quit as a Zhen master,
and not to mention you have your own duty…
Actually…
I seem to have put Caihong in a bad mood.
…I see.
I'll go check.
Don't worry.
Since there is no war going on right now.
Also, this is a direct order from the Grand Marshal (太尉).
…Besides,
a Zhen that has murdered a man
cannot be handled by a normal person.

BAM
Did you lock the back door?
Yes.
KRE...
ドキ!

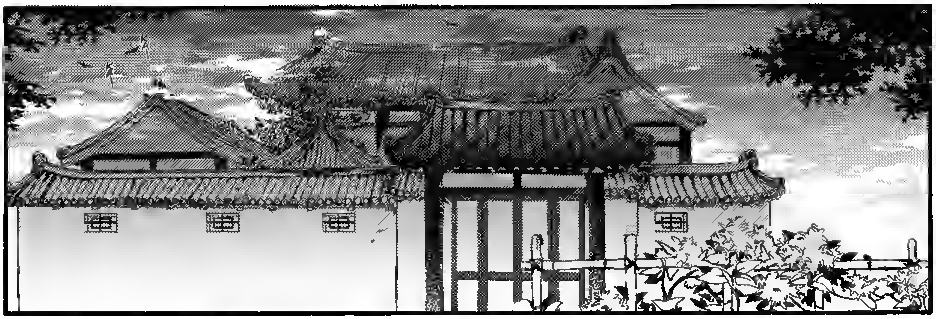
PSY

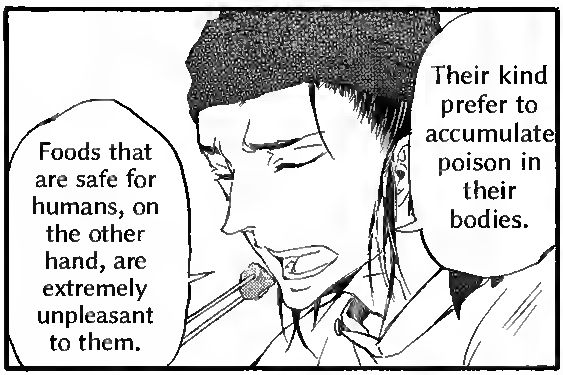
You never learn, do you.
Caihong*!
My older brother, Ran,
had made a name for himself as a Zhen master.
So stop waving that rod already.
I only scared him a bit.
...I didn't do nothing.

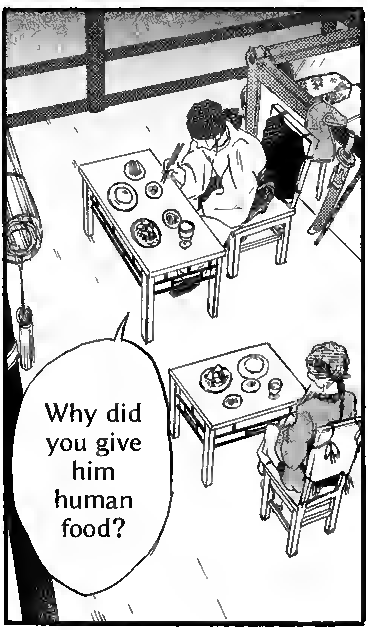
*Although written in katakana, 'Caihong' seems to come from the Chinese word彩虹 which means rainbow.

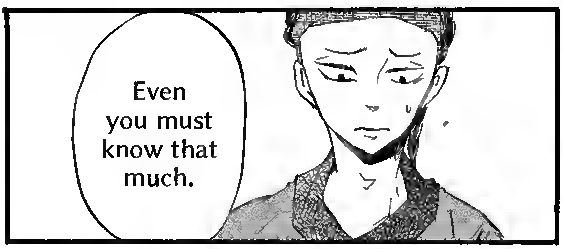
It could damage my features, y'know.
And this is
GLARE...
his last Zhen.
...These plumes are my pride.
just gave me human food,
you know it could have diluted the poison in my body.
...And yet, that idiot over there

FLICH
Food?




Their kind prefer to accumulate poison in their bodies.
Foods that are safe for humans, on the other hand, are extremely unpleasant to them.


Why did you give him human food?


Even you must know that much.

Seeing him now, this might be hard to believe,
but he used to be very sociable.
... But,
he used to eat it once in a while.
When his crying at night sounded terrible,
Ran-sama would personally go to his shed and put him to sleep and such.
!...
So that time as well,
...that is to say, he became lonely easily.
To the point that he'd ask for the same food we ate
because he wanted to have a meal with us.
Well, he became completely demotivated after just a bite though.

Food is-
Ran -sama!
... ready.
"Did he fall asleep in Caihong's chamber again..."
was what I thought
..... Cai-hong!
What in the world's ...

*Grand Marshal,*

*as per arrangement, I will hand over Caihong to you.*

*However, I have a single request.*

*No matter what happens, please never dispose of him, only this.*

I'm retiring for today.
The Grand Marshal's envoy will be here tomorrow.
I implore you, Please
treat Caihong well.

SHIN...
KREEE
THUMP

FLIT
...
Caihong
?
RUSTLE
RUSTLE

GRIP
Will you never learn unless I pluck out those feathers you're so proud of?
Don't take a soldier lightly.
Heh
TWITCH
you say that,
but you can't even do it.
After all, I am
'a merchandise article', right?

I heard that he took a real liking to me or something.
I'm to be sold to him, aren't I?
Grand Marshal Huang.
So while Ran was alive, the contract was made.
Under the supreme command of the military, that is, your superior.
Since the customer is your boss, you can't do anything, huh.
A soldier you said? Don't make me laugh.
Even though the enemy of your only blood-relative is in front of you,
both your hands and feet are hopelessly tied.

THUD!
What a miserable wretch.
!!
You're right. Indeed,
I am ashamed of myself.
If it wasn't for your poison and the buyer,
I'd squeeze the life out of you and devour your flesh right now.

*I think that the author means to use 发情 as 'oestrus', but this is wrong in every way—Caihong looks like a male ('points at his penis'), and probably a mammal rather than an avian ('points at his nipples'), except perhaps a mythical beast can be in heat regardless of their gender by just being aroused, or perhaps they own unique biology and their gender cannot be defined— Note that this mythical雄鳥 is a bird, and birds cannot have oestrus — So I am going to avoid any word that links to oestrus altogether because it's too absurd to me. Please feel free to insert 'in heat' in your mind from here on out

GRAB!
!?
What are... you-
...ah
QUIVER
Don't...
Hya...
...!
QUIVER
uh...!
QUIVER
...!
SQUISH

Normally, a Zhen master
makes sure that their Zhen do not become sexually active.
SLIDE

... uaa
S-
Stop ...!

For a Zhen, carnal desire is translated into
STAB!
As they ejaculate, the poison will be released along with the semen, and dilute the poison concentration in the body,
consequently inflicting pain to the Zhen.

HA!
HA!

torture from the struggle between the lust for pleasure
and the pain of detoxification.
HA!
HA!

Those flashy feathers might finally lose some colour.
Isn't this rather perfect?
Not dissimilar to extracting *sake* from the blood of a dipsomaniac,
the utmost torture.
Please ···stop-
O-only this···
FLAP
N-No···!
Compared to Brother who suffered and died by a zhen 's poison,
this much is nothing, don't you agree?
H-
Uhn!
These feathers are my pride.
FLAP
Never!
FLAP!

Ran too, he…
spoke highly of them-
…He told me,
that he'd make me the most beautiful Zhen in this land…
Even though he said that
… and yet…

Why…
CAW
CAW
But goodness… It is truly a splendid Zhen.
The Grand Marshal will certainly be pleased.
This is the feeding prescription.
If there is anything you feel unsure of, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Flop…
…
Excuse me.
Now that it has come to this, we'll probably never know.
However, according to what I have heard before, Ran-dono absolutely refused to sell this Zhen, isn't that right?
What gave him a change of heart I wonder…

KLAK
KLAK
Well then.
Me too, I certainly cannot understand.
Fei-sama.
!
Even though…he loved him so much like his own child…
Why did Ran-sama decide to sell Caihong?

just one more time,
Brother (弟弟) mine.
Before the end
the most beautiful Zhen in this land
I want to create
Who knows-

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